

# Monitored In-Home Caregiving (MIHC) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Support Coordinators

# What is Monitored In-Home Caregiving (MIHC)?

Monitored In-Home Caregiving (MIHC) is a service that helps an elder or a person with disabilities enrolled in the Community Choices Waiver (CCW) to receive care at home from a live-in caregiver (who could be a family member or who may be unrelated). The caregiver receives a daily payment (called a stipend), and is supported by a care team which includes a care manager and a nurse.

MIHC providers are responsible for training and providing support to the participant's caregiver.

# What type of participant would most benefit from MIHC?

Monitored In-Home Caregiving may be helpful for people who:

- Are transitioning from a nursing home and need a substantial amount of assistance and/or supervision
- Cannot be left alone
- Have a history of falling
- Would benefit from the presence of a caregiver around the clock (24 hours) to help with care and safety needs
- Require more supervision and support than can be provided through waiver Personal Assistance Services (PAS)

# What are some of the caregiver responsibilities?

The responsibilities of the caregiver include but are not limited to the following:

- Supervision or assistance in performing activities of daily living (ADLs)
- Supervision or assistance in performing instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs)
- Protective supervision provided solely to assure the health and welfare of the participant
- Supervision or assistance while escorting/accompanying the participant outside of the home
- Completion and electronic submission of the participant's daily progress notes to the MIHC provider

For more information, contact your OAAS regional waiver office.

# Can MIHC participants receive other Community Choices Waiver services?

#### **CAN** receive the following CCW services:

- Support Coordination
- Transition Service
- Transition Intensive Support Coordination
- Environmental Accessibility Adaptation
- Skilled Maintenance Therapy
- Caregiver Temporary Support
- Permanent Supportive Housing
  - Housing Transition or Crisis Intervention Service
  - Housing Stabilization Service
- Nursing
- Assistive Devices and Medical Supplies
- Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)

# **CANNOT** receive the following CCW services:

- Personal Assistance Services (PAS)
- Adult Day Health Care (ADHC)
- Home Delivered Meals

# How do I include MIHC services in the Plan of Care (POC)?

MIHC is billed "per diem," i.e., per day, at one of two levels depending on the participant's Resource Utilization Group (RUG) as determined by the Minimum Data Set-Home Care (MDS-HC) assessment.

You will work with the MIHC provider, the participant and the caregiver to develop a personcentered plan of care for the participant.

#### Level 1 includes these RUGs:

- Special rehabilitation 1.21
- Special rehabilitation 1.12
- Special rehabilitation 1.11
- Special care 3.11
- Clinically complex 4.31
- Clinically complex 4.21
- Impaired cognition 5.21
- Behavior problems 6.21
- Reduced physical function 7.41
- Reduced physical function 7.31

### Level 2 includes these RUGs:

- Extensive services 2.13
- Extensive services 2.12
- Extensive services 2.11
- Special care 3.12

For **MIHC Level 1**, use procedure code **\$5140** at a rate of \$59.60/day.

For MIHC Level 2, use procedure code S5140 with Modifier TG at a rate of \$89.40/day.

When the MIHC provider completes the **assessment** with the participant, use procedure code **T1028** at a rate of \$250.00/service.